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Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly newsletter for November 11, 2026

This Week is Student of the Month

Greeter /Pledge: Rick Sutton **Invocation: Brian Countetman**

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.





Nov 14 Geri Reinhart
Nov 14 Jerry Clayton
Nov 15 Don Buck

Attendance

Attendance at the November 04 meeting was 35, including two guests. Fred Sarazin, our speaker and Monica Auch, our new member.

Project hours for October stand at 616.5. November project hours are 72.

Wednesday Meeting
6:45 Social, 7:00 Meeting

4G's Restaurant

5950 S Platte Canyon Road, Littleton, CO 80123

Links for signups and for reporting hours
Scan QR or click on link

PROJECTS SIGN UP

VOLUNTEER 4HOURS
Please report hours

Upcoming Club Programs

Nov 18	**Julie Wiltshire**	**"AI" (p)**
Nov 25	**No Meeting**	
Dec 02	**Christine Remy**	**The Right Step (P)**
Dec 09	**Student of the Month**	
Dec 16	**Will Knoblauch**	**The Battle of The Bulge (p)**

Future Club Events and Service Projects

Nov 10	**Tue**	**Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM**
Nov 11	**Wed**	**Veterans Day – Columbine High School - Rod**
Nov 12	**Thu**	**Sharing with Sheridan - Ferris**
Nov 17	**Tue**	**Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer– Colorado Credit Union**
Nov 19	**Thu**	**DECA Competition - Don**
Nov 21	**Sat**	**IFCS Food Distribution – Rod**
Nov 21	**Sat**	**Sweet Dreams in a Bag – Shavon**
Nov 24	**Tue**	**Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM**
Nov 23	**Mon**	**Project Cure - George**
Dec 01	**Tue**	**Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer, Colorado Credit Union**
Dec 07	**Mon**	**Columbine Kiwanis Blood Drive – Tom D**
Dec 12	**Sat**	**Christmas Party Potluck**
Dec 13	**Sun**	**Jeffco Symphony - Jim R**

Nourish Meals on Wheels (Please check master list}

Nov 11	**Wed**	**Cleve & Terri McKinney**
Nov 12	**Thu**	**Rick Sutton family**
Nov 13	**Fri**	**Abe Baltazar & Mitch Waldman**
Nov 16	**Mon**	**Ruthann Moomy & Kathy Athens**
Nov 17	**Tue**	**Bob Bushacher and Mike Grunke**
Nov 18	**Wed**	**Terri & Cleve McKinney**
Nov 19	**Thu**	**Rod & Karen Hunley**
Nov 23	**Mon**	**Geri Rinehart & Sandra Legge**
Nov 25	**Wed**	**Terri & Cleve McKinney**
Dec 01	**Tue**	**Riggs & Bobbi Smith**

Veterans Day

Columbine High School
RSVP 303-982-4400

Columbine High School hosts its annual Veterans Day observance and community luncheon:

- Date: Wednesday, November 11
- Veterans Day Lunch Time: 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Location: Columbine High School, 6201 South Pierce Street, Littleton, CO

Boo Bash

Thank you so much for joining us at BOO-rific Bash & Splash this year! The event was a smashing (or splashing) success! Nearly 300 children enjoyed trick-or-treating from 35 vendors, 3 different bounce houses and swimming at Ridge Recreation Center. When you include the adults who brought them, we welcomed more than 1,200 people in total. https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?vanity=FHPRD&set=a.1982459326423919

Looking forward to next year's BOO-rific, October 30, 2027, Save the date!

Tory Pearson
Community Outreach Specialist
Foothills Park & Recreation District

NOTE: We made several potential contacts for new members, and perhaps one for sponsor for TopGolf. We talked to a lot of people about Kiwanis. - Ken

South Jeffco Business Alliance

November 17 Meeting

Come join Ken for an interesting talk and a chance to network with small business owners and some such that may be interested in Kiwanis. **Topic: PorchLight, A Family Justice Center**

Breakfast and coffee are always provided,
When: Tuesday, November 17, 2026, 9 - 10:30 a.m.
Where: **Peak Community & Wellness Center**, 6612 S. Ward St., Littleton, CO 80127
How: Please **RSVP** so we can plan for breakfast and seating.

Ken

Columbine Hills Donation

Kiwanis Club of Columbine,
Thank you so much for the $1,000 donation check you gave to Columbine Hills Elementary. We really appreciate your support and partnership in helping our community and students have what they need to be successful. Thank you for helping to make our school a great place for students and families.
Thank you for supporting the students at Columbine Hills Elementary. We look forward to our continued partnership.
Sincerely,
Christa Wilson
Principal
Columbine Hills Elementary
Aiming for Success,
Believing...Together We Can!
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Veteran Public Service Announcement

Have you ever wondered what was in your military record, not just the DD-214 that you received at the end of your service? I found the site that is used to make the request for your complete military record and made the request at the end of August.

If you have an ID.ME account with the VA, it is very straightforward. If you don't have that account, you will need to do that before you ask for the complete record. I received my electronic copy(.pdf file that is password protected) on Oct 30. My term of service was 2 years, yet my complete file was 121 pages. There were so many things that I had forgotten that I signed. Use this link to get started once you have an ID.ME account: https://vetrecs.archives.gov/s/ . If you need help to get started, just ask. - Rod Hunley



Key Club – Columbine

To the governing Board of Kiwanis Club of Columbine:
I am asking for our Club's support for a toy drive event to take place at Columbine High School on December 5, sponsored by CHS Key Club. They held the event last year, and it was very successful. However, it was financially supported by a local real estate firm, which is no longer the case.
Our school sponsor, Megan Kelly, is applying for a grant from RMD Kiwanis Foundation to help make this event happen. It is necessary for our Board to approve this application, and it is very helpful if we could provide a portion of financial support. Their budget to fund this event is about $800. - Megan Kelly

At the 11/3/2026 Board Meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Columbine Foundation, we approved $450.00 for the Columbine HS Key Club Holiday Toy Drive project.

Rod Hunley
Kiwanis Club of Columbine Board of Directors Member

Project Cure

ProjectCURE has recently thanked volunteers and sent this information -

Project C.U.R.E. appreciates your volunteer help. You already know we deliver medical equipment and supplies to hospitals and clinics around the world. Here's what it takes to get there.

- We listen first. This year our teams completed 40 needs assessments, visiting each facility to learn what it actually needs.
- We find the funding. We wrote 22 grant applications and won $536,000 to make shipments possible.
- We packed it by hand. **Volunteers gave 217,139 hours** of sorting and packing in our 7 warehouses.
- We deliver. 250 containers reached 40 countries this year.

In 2027, Project C.U.R.E. turns 40. The next 40 years depend on people who haven't joined us yet, and that's where you come in. We need you to volunteer and to spread the word.

Our next Kiwanis volunteer session at ProjectCURE is scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2026, with carpooling at 9:00am from the 4Gs parking lot, serving until noon. Please join us and sign up at SignUpGenius. - George Kinzer

Speaker -Quantum Computing

Last week we heard a talk from a Colorado School of Mines professor on quantum computing. I think everyone learned something even if all the details were complex and high level. The speaker did a great job introducing why quantum mechanics is so different from regular mechanics. And showed us several experiments that are surprising, interesting and have unexpected results. - Lane

To most of us it was a refresher, but to a few it was new. This has been the subject of several Ollie classes. - Ken



Seeds of South Sudan

Please find attached to this email a video of the new Mattresses and Chairs for the Children that live at the Seeds of South Sudan Home Base in Nakuru Kenya. There were virtually nothing left of the mattresses they had. I, Lane, and Ken Sweet donated a total of $1000 toward the cost of the Mattresses.

VIDEO-2026-10-26-20-23-01.mp4

Thanks and Peace!
Sincerely, Brian Dee Counterman



Zoo Lights

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Don't Miss Out on This Much-Anticipated Annual Event

Event Details: Saturday, November 14 | 5:30-9:30 pm
Denver Zoo (Last entry into the zoo is at 8 pm)

Email me today for an exclusive link to purchase discounted tickets at $20 per person - **Kerry.urbaniak@cbrealty.com**

Jefferson Symphony Concert

Mark your calendars and join us for our Holiday Concert on Sunday, Dec 13th! We look forward to celebrating the holidays with you! - Joann



Jefferson Symphony Holiday Concert
with
Denver Children's Choir

Sunday, Dec 13, 2026 3:00 - 5:30 PM MST
Mines Green Center - Golden, 80401

Judging Volunteers Needed for DECA - 11/19

Want to meet some very inspiring and motivated students? Join several of us on Thursday, Nov. 19th, in Castle Rock (Fairgrounds) for the DECA District 5 Competition - 7:30 am - 2 pm. Half of the High Schools in this event are those we sponsor Key Clubs. DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe.

Students will have a brief period of time to analyze a business scenario and develop a solution to the task or challenge outlined in their scenario. These scenarios will typically involve a sales, promotion or operations situation or related customer service concerns in one of 13 business areas of Accounting/Finance; Apparel, Buying & Retail Merch; Automotive Services; Business Law; Entrepreneurship; Fast/Full Restaurant; Food Marketing; Human Resources & Interviewing; Lodging, Hospitality & Tourism; Management & Admin; Marketing Communications; Sports & Entertainment Marketing; Sales. Students will then have up to 8 minutes to meet with a judge and present their response in an interactive "role playing" format. Each competitor will be attempting to solve the identical business challenge.

Judges will be provided with a copy of the challenge, suggestions about how to interact with the competitors and a detailed, task-specific score sheet for each student. Judges interact with each team and then score and rank them based on how well they accomplished the tasks listed on the score sheets. This is great fun interacting with very engaged students.

See more at https://www.coloradodeca.org/competitive-events and sign up at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfiTPZZ0A5a3Jx7iGMpOcwq1Tp0vBsZ7vONzTTse7ZsydjrRg/viewform. Any questions - see Rick Sutton or Don Buck.

2027 Kiwanis TopGolf

We have started preparing for our TopGolf Fundraiser next April. To make it a bigger success we are looking to add sponsors.

We encourage you to share this information, especially with businesses and potential donors who may be interested in supporting the event. Columbine Kiwanis provides an outstanding audience for advertisers. Businesses looking to promote their products or services can benefit from engaging with event participants.

2027 Kiwanis TopGolf
Sponsorship Levels

Bronze - $500

- Featured in Columbine Kiwanis newsletter
  - Circulation of over 600 potential consumers
- Logo placement on event materials
- 2 event tickets
- Table at event
  - Company visibility, and audience access and meet participants
  - Company Representative access to distribute company literature, etc.

Silver Golf Bay Sponsorship - $750

- **All** Bronze benefits
- 6 Sponsor Members Participate in Tournament
  - Great Team Building Experience

Gold - $2500

- **ALL** Silver and Bronze benefits plus
- Naming rights for part of the event
- Banner at event
- Newsletter featured for 4 weeks
- Time dedicated before the event for Sponsor to address participants
- One year Kiwanis Columbine Membership

